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Docket No. GP-100C1

Serial No. 08/860,844

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Sir:

In response to the written restriction requirement dated October 1, 1998, the Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the Group II claims, i.e. claims 26-30, 37, 38, 42-45 and 49 which are drawn to methods for binding nucleic acid sequences. A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 as required by this paper to Deposit Account 19-0065.

The Applicants invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if clarification is needed on any aspect of this amendment.

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